

Series: The Gospel You Didn't Expect

Message: Jesus Loves Radicals

Texts: Matthew 4:18-22; 5:1-12; 10:2-4; 15:1-2; 16:21-23; Mark 3:17; 10:35-41; Luke 9:1-6; John 13:8-10; 18:10-11; Acts 17:5-7; Isaiah 40:28-31

Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:1-12 **Call to Worship:** Isaiah 40:28-31

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Introduction: Loving a Possible Terrorist?

I. Jesus and His Motley Crew (Matthew 10:2-4)

- The rabbi of Jesus' day only invited the "_____ of the _____" to follow them
- Peter was _____ (Matthew 16:21-23; John 18:10-11)
- James and John were called "the _____ of _____" (Mark 3:17; 10:35-41)
- Simon was a _____ (Matthew 10:4)
- Jesus' disciples were men with a _____ (Matthew 15:1-2; Acts 17:5-7)
- Jesus invites them into a _____ - _____ - _____ relationship (Matthew 4:18-22)
- Jesus' disciples prove the _____ of the gospel
- Jesus' teaching was about such _____ (Matthew 5:1-12ff)
 1. They are to live by the _____ of Jesus' kingdom (The Beatitudes) (vv. 3-12)
 2. They are to be a _____ and _____ influence for those around them (vv. 13-16)
 3. They are to be _____ of God's Word (the Law) (vv. 17-29)
 4. They are to watch their _____ and be instruments of reconciliation (vv. 21-26)
 5. They are to live a life of _____ (vv. 27-30)
 6. They are to be examples of _____ (vv. 33-37)
 7. They are to be examples of _____ (vv. 38-42)
 8. They are to love their _____ (vv. 43-48)
 9. And there is more!
- Jesus provided loving correction and _____ (Mark 9:28-29)
- Jesus provided _____ to practice what they were learning (Luke 9:1-6)

II. The Church and Radicals

- Who are the "_____ " in our lives today?
- Jesus was clearly not worried about what people _____ about him pursuing "radical and impetuous" people (John 13:8-10)
- Disciple making was the _____ for Jesus, and it still is for us (Matthew 28:18-20)

Jesus gives us this pattern to follow:

1. We invite them into a _____ - ____ - _____ relationship (Matthew 4:18-22; 9:9-13)
2. We explain the _____ of the gospel (Romans 1:16-17; 1 Corinthians 1:18; 2:4-5; 4:20; 1 Thessalonians 1:4-10)
3. We actively teach and disciple them for godly _____ (Matthew 5:1ff)
4. We provide loving correction and _____ (Mark 9:28-29)
5. We provide _____ to practice what they are learning (Luke 9:1-6)

Their radical nature and energy is _____ for God's kingdom and His righteousness (Matthew 6:33; Romans 12:1-3)

Conclusion: What Will You Do Next?



Love God Extravagantly ~ Love People with Humility ~ Mentor Others to do the Same

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